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SULLIVAN has sworn off, and champagne in Boston has taken a fearful tumble.

In Philadelphia two base ball clubs composed of girls have been organized. They will be likely to hold the field.

The GAZETTE has had occasion to remark, heretofore, and renews the suggestion, that strikes are bad things—for the strikers.

GOVERNOR CRITTENDEN, of Missouri, aspires to the United States senate to succeed Mr. Vest, who wants to be his own successor.

ARTHUR believes in reforming the civil service so that it will give an unanimous boom next year for the present occupant of the White House.

A PENNSYLVANIAN claims to have discovered a mechanical force which will multiply power without fuel. Its existence in 1880 might have prevented the Dorsey revelations.

SULLIVAN, it is alleged, possesses more muscle than science. To the advocates of the theory of the superiority of nature over art he is a standing and an awful example.

With slavery the agricultural products of the South in one year—1853—amounted to \$138,005,738. In 1880 they were valued at \$760,000,000. LINCOLN builded better than he knew.

A DISPATCH from St. Paul announces the prevalence of small-pox among the Indians on the St. Cloud reservation. The object of PHIL SHERIDAN's trip to the Yellowstone is now accounted for.

The greasers in our neighboring republic are again spoiling for a revolution. It is well enough to have their fun while they may. If Uncle Sam ever fathers their territory such foolishness will be discontinued.

THERE is a vast amount of pure, unadulterated communism in strikes. This whole business is an importation from the old world, and is sadly out of place in a republic where personal liberty is so great as in America.

A SAN FRANCISCO official says that during ten years \$6,000,000 worth of opium has been smuggled into that port, thirty per cent. of which was received by government officials. "Turn the rascals out."

KEARNEY, whose other name is DENNIS, has developed into a dude. The sand-lot agitator sanded the eyes of the laborers but evidently stuffed his pockets with an article of a more permanent glitter.

DALLAS is going to make an effort to suppress gaming, and a very stringent ordinance to this effect has been adopted by the city council. This will give the editor of the Times more time to devote to the abuse of Fort Worth.

THE amendments no doubt are carried, and by a vast majority. Even if they should work evil the awakening of the people from their political apathy will have been an heroic achievement not to be counted as too dearly won.

ALL that remains for Count de CHAMBERLAIN to do to complete the reputation of GARFIELD's illness is to die, and, as five doctors linger around his bed, the supposition is that he will soon be in company with the shades of our second martyr president.

MOSEY dubs MAHON "a common free-booster—a regular DICK TURPIN." Now when MAHON retorts with his opinion of MOSEY two gentlemen who adapted themselves to the new regime will have been assigned to their proper places in the political arena.

OSCAR WILDE has returned to America. He is short of those long and flowing locks, but bangs his hair in the most approved American style. This country evidently made almost as great an impression on the mind as on the pockets of the great apostle of aesthetics.

If Fort Worth is wise in its day and generation, it will not permit the present prosperous year to draw to a close without inaugurating manufacturing industries of some kind. The work once begun, once started on a substantial basis, will take care of itself and return a hundred-fold to those who invest their means in giving it life and being.

IN THE New York Sun a gentleman who held an office under the administration in 1880 adds his testimony to Dorsey's revelations concerning the manner in which Indiana was carried for GARFIELD. His tale of corruption and intimidation displays the methods which Republicanism in its desperation will adopt. Are they to be repeated in '84?

THE strike is about over. Like other strikes that have gone before, it will cost more than it will come to, and was no remedy for the wrong complained of. The men who inaugurate and maintain strikes are the men who, if themselves employers, would give most cause for strikes. They have diseased ideas of the relations of man with man, and an undue notion of their own importance and merit.

THE big bandanna is not being flourished much in Ohio politics just now. HOADLY's election means his nomination for the presidency, and his defeat would destroy the Ohio Idea. Reinforced by his ancient enemy, Mr. SHERMAN, THURMAN is anxiously studying the political horoscope to determine, if possible, if he is to receive an allowance of butter for his bread, and on which side it is to be spread.

THE late Lord LOUTH achieved notoriety as the victor in a bar-room contest, having scored thirty-five cocktails to thirty-five imbibed by his opponent. The man who could consume thirty-six successive cocktails is not entirely undeserving of fame. Fancy what an excellent receptacle his stomach would make for Fenian dynamite, or else his carcass might be utilized in caging the political aspirations of BEN BUTLER. It is entirely too valuable to be buried.

THE supreme court of Indiana has decided in reviewing the proceedings in a murder case, that the mere fact of a man having read newspaper accounts of crime, and having an opinion therefrom, but one which would be removed by the evidence, does not necessarily render him incompetent to serve on juries. This is a sensible conclusion, and one that should be adopted and accepted by the courts of the country. Of all men most unfit for juries: those never read the papers stand in the front. This of itself is an evidence of a want of intelligence which should exclude a man from the jury box.

THE journalistic Chinaman in New York who was anxious to engage in an Irish wake with DENNIS KEARNEY seems to have imported his warlike spirit from his mother land. The Celestials are buying arms and iron-clads and engaging European officers to discipline their soldiers preparatory to a tilt with France. Those who sneer at her primeval state or the inefficiency of her soldiers may yet live to witness China compete successfully with her Gallic enemy. Her preliminary enterprises indicate pluck and wisdom, and the staying qualities of John Chinaman cannot be gainsaid.

THAT the negro is not incapable of progress is demonstrated by the history of Mrs. Elizabeth Gloucester, the wealthiest colored woman in America, who recently died in Brooklyn. Mrs. GLOUCESTER was born of a free woman in 1817 and grew to maturity in the service of a Quaker lady in Philadelphia. Here she was taught those principles of integrity and economy which have given her a position pre-eminent among her people. Mr. GLOUCESTER, her husband, was a minister of the Presbyterian church, and after their marriage removed to New York. Her fortunate investments brought wealth, which was generously yet judiciously handled, several churches in the South being the beneficiaries of Mrs. GLOUCESTER's charities. She was a woman of great energy and executive ability and it is said never made an unsuccessful investment.

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THE LATEST sensation emanating from Washington is a bit of private history concerning our sister republic on the Southern border, furnished by DR. MANUEL MEZA, formerly private secretary to SANTA ANNA. He states that in that capacity in 1836 he obtained an audience with the Emperor MAXIMILIAN, who was fleeing from his revolutionary subjects, proposed the abdication of the throne, a pronouncement establishing the republic, the assumption by the emperor of the presidency for four years, and the appointment of SANTA ANNA as commander of the armies. MAXIMILIAN promised to consider the propositions, which are presented as the terms of compromise between the two great leaders of the Royalists and Republicans. However, decisive events ensued so rapidly that it became impossible to carry the proposed agreement into effect. Had it been accomplished MAXIMILIAN's head never would have been detached from his body and he would have ranked as one of the greatest statesmen of Mexico. His resolution robbed him of both life and fame.

ONE of the best evidences of the prosperity of the country is found in the vast amount of travel on all the railroads. When the times are hard the public does not spend its money for railroad fares. It stays at home and works for a living. Now-a-days every train is crowded to its utmost capacity. A visit to the Union depot in Fort Worth any night in the week will discover a scene of the greatest animation. Travelers embarking and disembarking from the trains through the halls, waiting rooms and platforms, and the utmost confusion prevails. The farmer and mechanic takes advantage of the flush times, to go himself, or send his family, to visit relatives "in the states." The lawyer leaves his books, the merchant his counter, to enjoy a vacation from business toil, and even the newspaper man gathers together enough stamps to buy an occasional meal and lives himself to pleasure resorts from whence he indites "editorial correspondence" to the few of his readers who are so circumstanced as to be unable to get away from home. It has been an unusually prosperous year, and the people are enjoying the prosperity, to the great advantage of the railroad companies.

THE example of the Princess of Wales instituting the fashion for a new and inexpensive style of bonnet, leads the St. Louis Globe-Democrat to debate of the Democratic party long enough to indite an article on the "Philanthropy of Fashion," in which it calls the attention to one particularly valued service "which the Princess of Wales can perform for humanity, if she has the power in this direction she is represented as having, and that is to enter a practical protest against the light facing which now prevails in England to a more than usual extent. The good effected in this way would be infinitely greater than that coming from the saving in bonnets, for it immediately concerns the health of an important element of society. What the fashionable world needs especially is for some strong influence to inaugurate the Venus of Milo style of waist. This is natural, and does not force the vital organs which are more effective when neighborly, as they were intended to be, into a state of virtual bisection. Viewed from a rational standpoint this interference with nature's plan is really worse than the habit of compressing the feet of the Chinese girls. The feet at least have less to do with the general health of the victim. Perhaps upon the proper presentation of the subject the Princess would regard the scheme favorably."

TEXAS STATE NEWS.

The Sunday law is not enforced on Maj. Penn's camp-meeting ground.

San Augustine discussed telegraphic communication with some railroad point and abandoned it on account of the cost.

The Athletic Club of San Antonio has formed a good polo team of ten players, three of whom are army lieutenants.

The commissioners of McLennan county have decided to hire out county convicts and accepted the bid of Overton Darwin of fifty cents per day, the contract to take effect Monday.

The Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railway has opened a new branch from Somervell to Montgomery. Passenger trains have been put on, connecting with passenger trains on the main line.

The residents of the town of Coleman are paying a voluntary tax of one per cent. on the assessed value of their property for the purpose of refitting and refurbishing the public school house.

The sheriff of San Antonio has had a boisterous crew of about sixty lodgers in jail, and persuasion was of no avail in keeping order; when he took three of the ring-leaders and hung them up by the thumbs; two weakened next morning, but one remained obstinate. Hico Indicator: It seems impossible for Hico to have an election on any subject. A tie was the result of the first election for or against corporation.

And on last Saturday a mayor, five aldermen and a marshal were elected. Now we must have another for the same offices, as those elected refuse to serve.

An Austin special says it has been discovered that by some blunder in framing the constitutional amendment providing for the investment of the state educational funds, the amendment does not apply to the university funds. The latter will be loaned, as at present, and can be invested only in United States or state bonds.

The El Paso Times characterizes as absurd the report current that a party of American residents in Chihuahua, assisted by the pen of a Texas journalist, are working matters so as to have the state of Chihuahua admitted into the Union. The Times classes Chihuahua the most intensely patriotic state of the Mexican Republic. Chihuahua, whose very name is sacred to the descendants of Montezuma, and ridicules the idea of her desiring annexation to the United States.

Sherman Courier: The spirit of fence cutting so much complained of in the western counties has spread to Grayson at last. Some stealthy genius of destruction a few nights ago cut the whole east line of a pasture fence erected by El Hendricks near Locust Grove school house, and turned him out on the common again. Hendricks holds the title to and pays taxes on his land, and no doubt believed he had a right to enclose it for his own use and benefit, but it seems there are persons who think differently.

The death of a young girl is reported in Atascosa under rather curious circumstances. She was sent a mile to a neighbor's with a basket of eggs. Not being heard from in several days, a diligent search was instituted and her skeleton was found near a water-hole, a considerable distance out of her course. The basket of eggs was alongside. Her tracks showed she had lost her way, and the jury returned a verdict of starved to death. This does not agree with the opinion of some people, who think she was outraged and murdered by negroes, Mexicans or cowboys.

A party of fakirs advertised a balloon ascension at Wabash the other day which attracted a large crowd. The party did a fine business with the lemonade, hobby-horses and other such devices used to extract lucre from the unwary. Toward evening it was ascertained the balloon story was a catch, and immediately about 100 young men rushed upon the lemonade stands and side shows, and sent them winding west and crooked. The damages sustained by the fakirs perhaps amounted to \$500 or \$150 but they must have made out of the crowd that day \$500 which still leaves them ahead.

Herald and Planter: Last week our ex-representative Hon. E. J. Riggs, met with a painful accident. His son shot at a rat with his pistol elevated toward the roof. The bullet struck the joint, killed the rat, struck a knot, glanced, and passing almost at an angle of ninety degrees and downward, struck Mr. Riggs, who was walking some fifty or sixty yards distant on the arm just above the wrist, entering some little depth and falling out. Mr. Riggs was in his shirt sleeves at the time, and his hand was directly over his heart. Perhaps had the ball passed in without touching the ribs it might have killed him. There was no carelessness in this matter; if the son had seen his father he would still have shot at the rat, for there seemed no human probability of doing him an injury.

A gentleman in Austin is in possession of a very rare and remarkable coin or medal, dated A. D. 1100. One surface presents a clearly defined cut of a magnificent cathedral, with the word "York" below. The reverse shows a tower surmounting a steep hill. A flag is hoisted on its ramparts and soldiers with spears appear on the battlements, while below to the right, other soldiers appear leaving the fortress across a drawbridge. Over the tower appear the words "Clifford's Tower," and below the date "A. D. 1100." Around the edge of this specimen can be traced with the aid of a microscope this inscription: "Built A. M. 1224, York, Cathedral rebuilt A. D. 1075." The coin or medal is about the dimension of one of our quarters. It was found on the beach of Galveston Island, by a negro boy, and purchased by the present owner.

Cetewayo's Daughter.

(Providence Journal.) It may not be known to the majority of our intelligent fellow-citizens that the Princess Amazula, daughter of the late King Cetewayo, resides in our midst, as it were, with very few marks of reverence for her royal state. Such, however, is the fact, the princess being a denizen of Christian Hill. The princess joined an "Uncle Tom's Cabin" troupe at Cape Town, and thus she came to reach America. At present she earns an honest but modest livelihood by letting lodgings and doing washing and ironing for the surrounding white trash. On being informed of the tragic death of her royal father in South Africa the Princess Amazula exhibited no very poignant grief, and will assume no other court mourning than that which nature has provided her.

An earnest effort is being made in Georgia to raise funds by subscription for the purchase of Liberty Hall, Alexander H. Stephens's last residence, the intention being to erect there a monument and to keep the property as nearly as possible in the condition in which Mr. Stephens left it. The property can be had for \$10,000 if taken before the 1st of November next, and this includes the library, which cost \$18,000. The plan includes the establishment of a high school on the grounds.

The Mexican Financier states that a vein of ore has been struck in San Augustine mine, at Catorce, San Luis Potosi, which yields about \$16,000 a ton. The mine has long been distinguished for the great treasure it has produced.

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